Dear Judiciary Committee and Legislators,

I am writing for the first time in my life to you regarding pieces of legislation that have been brought to my attention with regards to my second amendment rights and thos of other law abiding citizens. As a scholar of criminal justice, a professional firefighter, and the boyfriend of a law enforcement officer, I find S.B 16, and H.B 5416 to be completely wrong and I am against these two bills.

Time and time again, gun legislation is passed in the state that only hurts law abiding citizens such as myself and emboldens criminals. Current gun laws are still not enforced and more gun legislation is forced on the populace. This needs to end. Stop punishing us for the acts of criminals. The reasons for the drastic increase in crime and violence is not because of inanimate objects like firearms, but the restrictions placed on law enforcement, the lack of accountability and prosecution of criminals, and the simple fact criminals do not care about laws.

As my representatives in the legislature, I want you to strike down these two pieces of legislation and actually support law enforcement by changing current police reform legislation to allow law enforcement to do there jobs and be safe performing those duties. I do not want to receive a phone call from someone that my girlfriend was killed in the line of duty because she was more afraid of being sued and publicly destroyed. Also by doing so, law abiding citizens will be able to protect ourselves and not have to worry about useless laws that only hurt us and not the criminals. Thank you for your time.

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